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Continuation of the Eſſay on Milton's Hero.

THE whole fourth Book of this inimitable Poem is of ſuch a Nature, that there is hardly a Poſſibility for the Author to mention, or refer to his Hero, the *Meſſiah*; it being wholly employ'd with the Deſcription of a new Scene, Paradiſe; the Introduction of *Adam* and *Eve*, and the beautiful Epiſode between *Satan* and *Ithuriel*, and *Zephon* on his firſt Attempt to vitiate and corrupt the Woman in a Dream. We are not to wonder, therefore, at this Omiſſion, or eſteem it a Fault, or conclude the *Meſſiah* ever the leſs his principal Figure, becauſe, in ſome Pieces, he has no immediate Share in the Action.——In the ſecond Scene of the fifth, when *God* commiſſions *Raphael* to warn our firſt Parents of their frail Condition, and the Terms of their preſent Happineſs, I could have wiſh'd, indeed, the Poet had thought proper to put that Motion firſt in the Mouth of the *Meſſiah*; for, as thro' all the reſt of this Work he has taken particular Care to employ him in that Manner, it had been perfectly in Character for him to have appear'd the Author of this. But 'tis highly probable ſome Part of *Milton*'s Scheme of Divinity prevented it; as it might have oblig'd him to that Anticipation of his Tale, in the third Book, which I can never call to Mind without Regret.——Not only as 'tis out of Place there, but as it produces ſomething of an Impropriety in this Embaſſy of *Raphael*'s too.——For, as *God* has before expreſsly ſaid *Satan* would prevail, and *Man* fall, the *Reader* foreſees this Meſſage will have no Effect; to ſave him, of Courſe, was in Reality unneceſſary, as to the Safety of Man, however eſſential for the Vindication of the Deity.

To be frank, I think, theſe controverſial Points are the only capital Faults of this divine Poem: For an Author that would gain an univerſal Reputation, ſhould write to the whole World, not to any particular Sect, or on any particular Scheme; for there are always ſome Circumſtances in each, that the reſt can never away with; and thus the Gods of *Homer*, and the Myſteries of *Milton*, will always diſguſt ſuch Readers, as have not been us'd to look upon them as ſacred, tho', at the ſame Time, they have all imaginable Reſpect for their ſublime Excellencies.

To leave this Digreſſion, which I have ſtumbled into unawares, our Author in the Middle of his fifth Book, a ſecond Time introduces the *Meſſiah*, and pours ſuch a Blaze of Light upon him, from this Time to the End of the ſeventh Book, eſpecially, that there is not the leaſt Room to doubt he did not mean him for his Hero; and, therefore, it appears the more ſtrange, that Mr. *Dryden* ſhould miſtake him ſo much, and Mr. *Addiſon* be ſo cool in his Defence. Says the *Almighty* himſelf

> This Day have I begot whom I declare
> My only *Son*, and, on this holy Hill,
> Him have anointed, whom you now behold
> At my Right Hand: Your Head I him appoint;
> And, by myſelf have ſworn, to him ſhall bow
> All Knees in Heav'n, and ſhall confeſs him Lord:
> Under his great Vice-gerent Reign abide
> United, as one individual Soul
> For ever happy.——

This is, properly ſpeaking, the Beginning of the Tale, and the great Incident upon which the whole ſubſequent Narration is founded.——This wakens the Envy of *Satan* and his Peers, and brings on the Battle, with their Rout and Flight to Hell; which is the firſt grand Period of the Action: In the mean Time the World is made, *Satan* voyages thither in Purſuit of Ruin and Miſchief; deceives the Woman, and, by her, Man too; which occaſions the *Meſſiah*'s Mediation and Offer to reſign his own Life, for the Reſtoration of theirs, the grand Point of Heroiſm; which the Author himſelf diſtinguiſhes as ſo much ſuperior to the Wrath of *Achilles*, or the Travels of *Æneas*.—— I believe, I have, in ſome Meaſure, antedated my Deſign here, but this Epitome of the Action, in the Order it ſell, will illuſtrate the great Art, Conſiſtency, and Judgment of the Author more effectually in this Place than any other.

Nothing ever was more judicious than his delaying the *Meſſiah*'s Appearance in Arms till the third Day: It affords Opportunity for his adding the moſt ſullen Circumſtances to aggrandize his Hero, and make him ſo eminent, that one would think it impoſſible he ſhould have been ever miſtaken:

> Millions of fierce, encountring Angels fought
> On either Side; the *leaſt* of whom could wield
> Theſe Elements, and arm him with the Force
> Of all their Regions.——

In the great and whole Rencounter of *Michael* and *Satan*

> They ended Parle, and both addreſt for Fight
> Unſpeakable: For who, tho' with the Tongue
> Of Angels can relate, or to what Things
> Liken on Earth conſpicuous, that may lift
> Human Imagination to ſuch Height
> Of God-like Power? For likeſt Gods they ſeem'd
> Stood they, or mov'd, in Stature, Motion, Arms
> Fit to decide the Empire of great Heav'n.
> Now wav'd their fiery Swords, and, in the Air
> Made horrid Circles: Two broad Suns their Shields
> Blaz'd oppoſite, while Expectation ſtood
> In Horror.—— *From each Hand, with Speed retir'd*
> *Where erſt was thickeſt Fight th' Angelick Throng,*
> *And left large Field, unſafe within the Wind*
> *Of ſuch Commotion.*

If Heroiſm is to be judg'd by Strength and Power, what a wonderful Gradation of both has the Poet preſerv'd in deſcribing theſe Beings? The leaſt of which could *wield theſe Elements*, and yet when their Superior met in Combat, they were unuſeful within the *Wind of ſuch Commotion*.——What then is the *Meſſiah*, who, alone, ſo infinitely tranſcends them all? Says the Almighty again,

> Go then, thou Mightieſt in thy Father's Might!
> Aſcend my Chariot, guide the rapid Wheels
> That ſhake Heav'n's Baſis! Bring forth all my War,
> My Bow and Thunder! My Almighty Arms
> Gird on, and Sword on thy puiſſant Thigh!
> Purſue theſe Sons of Darkneſs! Drive them out
> From all Heav'ns Bounds, into the utter Deep!
> There let them learn as like them to deſpiſe
> *God* and *Meſſiah* his anointed King.——

The magnificent Deſcription, that follows, of the Perſon, Arms, and Equipage of the Hero, intirely eclipſes all his former Images, and the *Meſſiah* appears like the Sun, the only viſible Object in Heaven: All Majeſty, Power, and Vengeance.

> —— Forth ruſh'd, with Whirlwind, Sound,
> The Chariot of paternal Deity
> Flaſhing thick Flames ——
> He, in celeſtial Panoply alarm'd
> Of radiant *Urim*, Work divinely wrought!
> Aſcended: At his Right Hand, Victory
> Sate Eagle-wing'd.——Beſide him hung his Bow
> And Quiver, with three-bolted Thunder ſtor'd;
> And, from about him, fierce Effuſion rowl'd
> Of Smoke, and bick'ring Flame, and Sparkles dire.——
> —— He on the Wings of Cherub rode ſublime
> On the chryſtalline Sky, in Saphire thron'd
> Illuſtrious far and wide.——

After all this to raiſe him yet higher if poſſible, he puts him ſingly on this great Action, and, not only rouzes all our Attention, but pleaſes all the celeſtial Hoſt, as Spectators and Admirers of his Deeds.——

> Stand ſtill in bright Array, ye Saints: Here ſtand
> Ye Angels arm'd!
> So ſpake the Son, and, into Terror chang'd
> His Countenance, too ſevere to be beheld!
> And, full of Wrath bent on his Enemies.
> At once the Four ſpread out their ſtarry Wings
> With dreadful Shade contiguous, and the Orbs
> Of his fierce Chariot rowl'd! as with the Sound
> Of torrent Floods, or of a num'rous Hoſt.
> He on his impious Foes, right outward drove
> Gloomy as Night: Under his burning Wheels
> The ſtedfaſt Empyrean ſhook throughout;
> All but the Throne itſelf of God. Full ſoon,
> Among them he arriv'd; in his Right Hand
> Graſping ten thouſand Thunders, which he ſent
> Before him: Such as in their Souls infix'd
> Plagues: They, aſtoniſh'd, all Reſiſtance loſt,
> All Courage; down their idle Weapons dropp'd:
> O'er Shields, and Helms, and helmed Heads he rode
> Of Thrones, and mighty Seraphim proſtrate
> That wiſh'd the Mountains now might be again
> Thrown on them, as a Shelter from his Ire.——
> —*Yet half his Strength*, he put not forth, but check'd
> His Thunder in *mid* Volley.

SATURDAY, *October* 18.

LAST Night the Seſſions ended at the *Old Bailey*, when the four following Perſons receiv'd Sentence of Death, *viz.*

William Blackwell, for robbing Col. *Des Romain* at *Paddington*, and raviſhing his Maid-Servant.

George Vaughan, for robbing Mr. *Stamper* on the Highway, of his Hat, Peruke, two Guineas, and a Silver Watch.

Elizabeth Armſtrong, for the Murder of *Patrick Darling*.

And *Edward Collins*, for breaking open the Houſe of *Margaret Yates*, and ſtealing from thence ten large Silver Spoons, ſix Tea-Spoons, and two Salt Spoons.

Two were burnt in the Hand. Eighteen were caſt for Tranſportation, and Twenty-ſeven acquitted.

George Sutton, whoſe Brother *John* was executed two or three Seſſions ago, was tried for a Robbery, on the Oath of one *Wynne*, his Accomplice, and convicted of a ſingle Felony, and order'd for Tranſportation; tho' *à la Macray*, he had Witneſſes to prove him at another Place when the Fact was committed.

Marriage. On Thurſday laſt the Right Hon. the Lord Viſcount *Harcourt* was marry'd to Miſs *Le Boſs*, a young Lady of 60,000*l*. Fortune.

MONDAY, *October* 20.

On Saturday laſt, at the Quarter-Seſſions held at *Hicks's-Hall*, *Anne Gowen*, otherwiſe *Gowey*, *William Froſt* and *Mary Froſt*, were try'd for a Conſpiracy againſt one *Edward Birch*, of *Clare-Market*, Cutler, in charging him with robbing the ſaid *Anne Gowen* of 8*s.* &c. when on the Evidence given, it appearing to the Court to be a Contrivance to take away the Life of the ſaid *Edward Birch*, the Court order'd that they ſhould be fin'd 1*s.* each, ſuffer twelve Months Impriſonment in *Newgate*, and to find Sureties for their good Behaviour for twelve Months afterwards.

The ſame Day one of his Majeſty's Officers of the Cuſtoms, and three or four Aſſiſtants, having made a Seizure of a Quantity of Tea,

between *Woolwich* and *Greenwich*, going to carry the ſame to the Water-ſide, were attack'd by the Smugglers and ſome *Horn-Fair* Mob, both Men and Women, who retook and carry'd off the Tea in Triumph, after having miſerably beat and pelted the Officer and his Aſſiſtants with Stones.

On Saturday his Highneſs the Hereditary Prince of *Modena* ſent a Gentleman of his Bed-Chamber to wait on her Majeſty, the Prince, and the reſt of the Royal Family, to notify his Arrival here, and deſire an Audience; and her Majeſty having been pleas'd to name Sunday at One at Noon, his Highneſs repair'd to *Kenſington* accordingly; and being introduc'd to her Majeſty in the Great Gallery, the Audience laſted till Two o'Clock, when her Majeſty went to Chapel, and the Prince directly to pay a Viſit to his Royal Highneſs the Prince of *Wales* in his Apartment; after which he was conducted into the Drawing-Room, where he ſtaid till the Royal Family return'd from Chapel; the Right Hon. the Earl of *Grantham*, her Majeſty's Lord Chamberlain, and Lord *Harvey*, then conducted his Highneſs into the Picture-Gallery, from whence he was reconducted to the Drawing-Room, and after ſome further Converſation with her Majeſty, his Highneſs paid a Viſit to their Royal Highneſſes the Duke and the Princeſſes in their Apartment. About Five o'Clock his Highneſs return'd to his Houſe in St. *James's-ſtreet*, and, about Seven, went to pay a Viſit to the *Spaniſh* Ambaſſadreſs in *Ormond ſtreet*. His Highneſs will ſtay in *England* about ſix Weeks.

On Thurſday Night laſt the Son of Mr. *Kellman*, Table-Keeper to his late Majeſty, a Youth about 16 Years of Age, hang'd himſelf in *Thatch'd-Houſe-Court*, St. *James's*: The unfortunate young Lad had an Excreſcence in his Forehead, which had given him intolerable Pain for ſome Time paſt, and is thought to have been the Occaſion of his untimely End.

By a Letter from *Arundel* in *Suſſex* we have Advice, that on Friday Night, the 17th Inſtant, was taken by Mr. *James Lee*, of the *Shoreham* Sloop of *Ruſtington* in *Suſſex*, 64 large Oil-Skin Bags of Coffee and Tea, containing near 3000 lb. Weight, to the great Diſappointment of 30 Horſe that were on the Shore, and are ſaid to be the *London* Traders, who have frequented thoſe Parts much upon the ſame Trade of late.

On Saturday laſt *William Beazley*, one of the Accomplices of *George Sutton* in the Robberies committed in *June* laſt, near the Five Fields in *Chelſea-Road*, and for which *Sutton* now lies in *Newgate* for Tranſportation, was committed by Juſtice *Deveil* to *Newgate*.

Preferments. Her Majeſty has been pleas'd to direct Letters Patents to paſs the Great Seal, for appointing *Richard Aldworth*, *Edw. Younge*, *William Cleland*, *Thomas Medlicott*, *John Bromfield*, Eſqrs; together with *Henry Kelſall*, Eſq; in the room of *John Williams*, Eſq; to be his Majeſty's Commiſſioners for the Inſpection and Management of the Taxes and Duties on Houſes, and the Affairs relating thereto.—— Her Majeſty has been pleas'd to direct Letters Patents to paſs the Great Seal, containing a Grant to *John Fanſhaw*, D. D. of the Office of *Greek* Profeſſor in the Univerſity of *Oxford*, void by the Death of Dr. *Thomas Terry*.

Bankrupts. John George Miller, of *Suffolk-ſtreet*, St. *Martin's in the Fields*, Taylor and Chapman.——*William Baker*, late of *Broad-ſtreet*, *London*, Packer.——*William Johnſon*, late of *Red-Lion-ſtreet*, *Goodman's-Fields*, *Middleſex*, Merchant.——*Edward Mabberley*, late of St. *Magnus*, *London*, Baker.

TUESDAY, *October* 21.

On Thurſday laſt a diſmal Accident happen'd at *Deptford* in *Kent*; a Mate of an *Eaſt-India* Ship had brought home a young tame Tyger, that was ſo gentle that it would eat out of his Hand: But two Boys being at Play in a Shed in the next Yard, the Tyger hearing a Noiſe, broke his Halter, and leap'd the Pales, where he ſeiz'd the youngeſt Boy, who was about five Years old; the other, who was about 12 Years old, ran to help him, when the Beaſt left the youngeſt and ſeiz'd the eldeſt, and tore one Side of his Face and one Arm in a moſt dreadful Manner, that his Life is deſpair'd of; meanwhile the other Child made ſuch an Outcry, that the Man who own'd the Tyger came and reſcu'd both the Boys; the Pariſh oblig'd him to ſhoot the Beaſt directly. The Day before this Accident he was offer'd 100 Guineas for him.

The Parliament of *Ireland* was open'd on the 7th Inſtant by a Speech from the Lord Lieutenant, wherein his Grace recommended the Improvement of the Linnen and Hempen Manufactures of the Kingdom to their particular Care and Attention, in ſuch a Manner as may tend to remove all Occaſions of Jealouſy and Complaint, with Regard to the Woollen Manufacture; and the preparing ſuch Laws as may increaſe the Trade of *Ireland*, and at the ſame Time prevent all illegal Incroachments upon that of *Great Britain*. He alſo adviſ'd the putting a Stop to that moſt pernicious Practice of the clandeſtine Running of Goods.

A Perſon has drawn up a Scheme, for laying a Duty of Twelve pence on every Hat worn in *Great Britain*; but it is thought it will not take Effect.——If a Tax were to be laid on Coaches, Chariots, Chaiſes and Chairs, it would raiſe a vaſt Sum, and the Poor, who ſuffer by moſt of the Taxes, might be eas'd.

On Monday laſt Week, one *Thomas Poore*, a Shoe-maker, in *Lloyd's-Court*, St. *Giles's*, having ſome Words with his Wife, threw a Pan at her Head, which fractur'd her Skull ſo that ſhe dy'd on Saturday laſt; and Yeſterday the Coroner's Jury ſat on her Body, and brought in their Verdict *Wilful Murder*. The Fellow has made his Eſcape. She was big with Child when this Accident happen'd, and has left four ſmall Children behind her.

Yeſterday Morning a Child of about two Years old was found murder'd at a Door in *Clement's-Lane* in *Cannon-ſtreet*; it was in a Bag with ſome Coals, and had ſeveral Bruiſes on the Body, and the Skull broke in two or three Places by a Hammer, or ſome ſuch Thing: Diligent Enquiry is making after the Authors of this execrable Crime.

The Brick Wall round St. *Margaret's Church-Yard* is begun to be pull'd down, by Order of the Dean and Chapter of *Weſtminſter*, there being Iron Palliſadoes to be ſet up inſtead thereof.

And we hear, that all the Houſes in the ſaid Church-Yard (being College-Land) will ſpeedily be pull'd down, in order to lay the *Abbey* open to publick View.

Deaths. Laſt Week died, at *Preſton* in *Lancaſhire*, aged near 100, the Lady *Stanley*.—— Laſt Saturday died, at his Seat in *Oxfordſhire*, the Hon. *James Bertie*, Eſq; ſecond Son to the late Earl of *Abingdon*, and Brother to the preſent Earl: He repreſented the County of *Middleſex* in moſt of the Parliaments call'd in the Reign of Queen *Anne*, in every one call'd by his late Majeſty, and in the laſt Parliament. ——On Sunday died, in the 84th Year of his Age, *Chriſtopher Spicer*, Eſq; in the Commiſſion of the Peace for the County of *Middleſex*. About four Years ago he ſin'd for Sheriff. ——On Saturday died, at his Houſe in *Compton-ſtreet*, *Soho*, aged near ſeventy, Mr. *Timothy Lewis*, one of the Inſpectors belonging to the General Poſt-Office, which Place he enjoy'd 20 Years.

WEDNESDAY, *October* 22.

It is hop'd by abundance of Citizens, that the Affair of Lighting the City, may not be made a Job of, to ſerve any particular Set of Men; and if the Deputy of every Ward was to ſend in a Liſt of the Number of Houſes, and Rents in his Precinct, to the Committee, an exact Calculation might be made of the yearly Income of every Ward; and by that Means, a more equitable Bargain might be made than at preſent; and if the ſame was agreed for annually, it is thought it will be better executed, than if granted for a long Term.

Oxen ſold laſt Monday at *Smithfield* Market, at Fourteen-pence and Sixteen-pence a Stone; and Sheep at Sixteen-pence and Eighteen-pence; and there being ſuch a vaſt Quantity of After-Paſture, it is thought Meat will be very reaſonable all this Winter.

The Coroner's Inqueſt having ſat on the Body of the Child, found in *Clement's-Lane*, (as before-mention'd) brought in their Verdict *Wilful Murder by Perſons unknown*. Upon Examination they found, by ſeveral Marks, that the Brains had been daſh'd out againſt a Wall; and as the People in that Neighbourhood are reſolv'd to make the ſtricteſt Enquiry concerning this Affair, 'tis hop'd the whole Villainy will be brought to Light.

Bankrupts. Thomas Darloe, of *London*, Victualler and Chapman.——*Rachel Cook*, late of *Weſtminſter*, Milliner and Chapwoman.

THURSDAY, *October* 23.

On Tueſday in the Evening one *Matthew Leman*, a Baker in the *Minories*, was brought before Juſtice *Farmer* of *Well-Cloſe-Square*, for killing a young Man (a Bruſh Turner in *Pennington-ſtreet* in the Pariſh of St. *George* in *Middleſex*) by diſcharging a Musket loaded with Powder and a Leaden Bullet, and ſhooting him in at the Right Side, of which mortal Wound he inſtantly died; the Accident happen'd as follows, *viz. Leman* was drinking at the Houſe of one *Buckmaſters*, the Sign of the *George* in *Goodman-Yard*, where a Diſpute aroſe between the Maſter of the Houſe and *Leman*, who was the beſt Markſman; a Wager of Half a Crown was depoſited; accordingly they went (with ſeveral others) into the firſt Field going to *Stepney*, where a Mark was fix'd againſt a Bank to ſhoot at, to decide the ſaid Wager; they fir'd twice each, and the Wager was won by *Leman*, upon which he ſaid he was certain he could ſtrike the Mark the firſt Time if he had another Bullet, but there happen'd to be no more than the four Bullets carry'd out which were already diſcharg'd; but one of the Company unluckily going to the Bank, where the Mark was ſet up, found one of the Bullets lodg'd in the Bank, and preſently deliver'd to *Leman*, who immediately charg'd his Musket, and diſcharg'd it again at the ſaid Mark; but taking his Aim too high, the Ball went over the Bank, paſs'd over a little Field, the beſt Part of an adjoining Garden, and accidentally kill'd the unhappy Perſon before-mention'd, in the Midſt of ſeveral Perſons, who were at Skittles in the ſaid Garden; the Mark ſhot at was meaſur'd 58 Yards, and the Place where the Deceas'd ſtood, when kill'd, is computed to be 200 Yards beyond the Place where the Mark was fix'd, which makes it the more extraordinary. *Leman* was committed to New Priſon.

The ſame Afternoon a Hay-Cart and a Gravel-Cart, both loaded, meeting in the Lane that goes from *Kenſington* to *Chelſea*, and the Drivers diſputing for the Way, proceeded at laſt to Blows, when after a long Battle, and no Body near to part them, the Hayman, Servant to Mr. *Stone* of *Acton*, was kill'd upon the Spot, ſuppos'd to be by ſeveral Kicks in the Groin; and the other is ſince dead of his Bruiſes.

Laſt Night the Corpſe of Sir *John Taſh*, Knt. late Alderman of *Walbrook* Ward, lay in State in a very ſolemn Manner at his Houſe in *Suffolk-Lane:* He was inclos'd in three Coffins, *viz.* firſt in an Elm one, then in Lead, and laſt in black Velvet: He was interr'd between Eleven and Twelve o'Clock in a new Vault under the Veſtry of *Allhallows the Great* in *Thames-ſtreet*, which was purchas'd for the Uſe of his Family ſince his Deceaſe for ſixty Guineas, and will hold about forty Coffins: The Pall was ſupported by the ſix following Aldermen, *viz.* The Right Hon. Sir *Edward Bellamy*, Lord Mayor, Sir *Gerard Conyers*, Sir *Robert Baylis*, Sir *Richard Brocas*, Sir *John Thompſon*, and Sir *John Barnard*. He died in the 61ſt Year of his Age, and was reputed worth about 200,000 *l.*

We hear that Sir *John Williams*, the Lord Mayor Elect, was pleas'd to ſignify on Tueſday to the Court of Aldermen, that *Grocers-Hall* was ſo damp on Account of the late Works done there to fit it for his Reception, that it would be dangerous to give his Entertainment there on Lord Mayor's Day; and deſiring the Uſe of *Guildhall* on that Occaſion, the neceſſary Preparations were immediately given to prepare it for his Reception.

On Saturday laſt *Robert Wadham*, Eſq; who hath already ſerv'd two Years ſucceſſively, was again ſworn in Mayor of the Town and County of *Pool*.

A Letter from a Gentleman of undoubted Credit, in the Shire of *Roſs* in *Scotland*, gives this extraordinary Account, that one Field, in which was ſown two Boles and a half of Wheat, produc'd as much as enabled him to ſell and ſhip 80 Boles; beſides a Quantity for his own Uſe.

The *Grand Duke*, Capt. *John Grafton Phillips*, bound to *Leghorn*, was lately loſt near *Torneques*; the Maſter, Crew, and ſome Goods were ſav'd.

The *Burrell*, Capt. *Cant*, who left *Virginia* the 28th of *Auguſt*, bound for *London*, meeting with bad Weather, having loſt two of her Maſts, and the Surgeon waſh'd over-board, put into *Cork* the 10th Inſtant to refit.

The *Great Duke John Gaſton*, Capt. *Thomas Phillips*, bound from *Meſſina* with Corn to *Leghorn*, and ſome Bales of Silk for *London*, the 26th paſt, about Ten o'Clock at Night, ſtruck on a Rock off *Monte Chriſti* near *Leghorn*, call'd the *Piſmires*. The Ship ſoon ſunk, but the People got upon the Rock, and remain'd there till the 28th in the Morning, when a *Malteſe* Man of War came in Sight and ſav'd them, as alſo five Bales of Silk, and brought them to *Leghorn*, having firſt oblig'd the Captain to give one Half for ſaving the other.

On Tueſday laſt ſome Maſons being at work in *Scotland-Yard*, drawing up Stones by a Crane, the Bar to which the Horſe was fix'd broke, and the other Part flew back with ſuch Violence, that it kill'd one Man on the Spot, and dangerouſly wounded two others.

On Wedneſday next the famous *Bridgenorth* Man is to jump twenty Jumps on *Banſtead-Downs* for 200 Guineas, againſt the noted Stone-Cutter, who ſome Time ſince jump'd 70 Yards in 19 Jumps in *Hyde-Park*.

Yeſterday being the Birth-Day of her Royal Highneſs *Anne*, Princeſs of *Orange*, and Princeſs Royal of *Great Britain*, who then enter'd the 27th Year of her Age, the ſame was obſerv'd in and about this City with great Solemnity, by Ringing of Bells, Illuminations, Bonfires, and other Demonſtrations of Joy; at *Kenſington* there was a numerous and ſplendid Court, to compliment her Majeſty and the Royal Family on this Occaſion.

The ſame Day his Highneſs the Prince of *Modena* went to the *Tower*, where he was attended by Col. *Williamſon*, the Deputy-Governor, and ſaw the Armories, the Regalia, and other Curioſities, from whence he went to ſee St. *Paul*'s, and returning about Four to his Houſe in St. *James's-ſtreet*, gave an Entertainment to ſeveral Perſons of Diſtinction, and afterwards ſpent the Evening at Cards.

On Friday laſt *Mark Partridge* (alias *Small-Coal Moll*) who was formerly an Evidence againſt *Lawrence* the Milkman, one *Wright* a Woolcomber, and another, who were hang'd ſome Years ago at *Tyburn* for Sodomy, was try'd and convicted at *Hicks's-Hall*, for entering the Houſe of *Edward Dogan*, with a Warrant, pretending to be a Conſtable, and taking him to a Tavern, in order to extort Money from him, under Pretence of ſodomitical Practices, and receiv'd Sentence as follows, *viz.* to ſuffer ſix Months Impriſonment in *Newgate*, fin'd 1 *s.* and to give Security for his good Behaviour for two Years. Another Indictment for ſodomitical Practices lies againſt him now. And Mr. *Dogan* has likewiſe a Verdict for 300*l.* againſt him, which he recover'd in one of the Courts at *Weſtminſter*.

On Saturday, at the ſaid Seſſions, *George Hart*, an Accomplice of *George Hutchinſon's*, who ſtood twice in the Pillory, purſuant to his Sentence at *Guildhall*, was try'd and convicted for extorting a Note of Hand for 5*l.* 5*s.* from *Joſiah Pack*, a Gentleman of Worth and Reputation, under Pretence of ſwearing Sodomy againſt him, which Note coming to the Hand of *Mark Partridge*, he went to demand the Money, but being ſtopp'd, diſcover'd whom he had it from, whereupon *Hart* receiv'd Sentence to ſtand twice in the Pillory, *viz.* once at *Charing-Croſs*, and once at *Covent-Garden* on a Market-Day, to pay a Fine of 13 *s.* 4 *d.* and to give Security for his good Behaviour for three Years.

Yeſterday was held a Court of Common-Council at *Guildhall*, when it was agreed, that for the better Lighting of the City of *London*, the Lamps ſhould be light from Sun-ſet to Sun-riſing all the Year, and that new Propoſals be receiv'd for the ſame accordingly; and a Committee of ſix Aldermen and 12 Commoners were appointed to draw up a Petition, to be laid before the next Common-Council for their Approbation, to apply to Parliament for an Act to enable them to raiſe Money for defraying the Expence. The Committee are, the Right Hon. Sir *Edward Bellamy*, Knt. Lord Mayor, Sir *John Williams*, Knt. Lord Mayor Elect, Alderman *Aſſop*, Alderman *Salter*, Alderman *Godſchal*, and Alderman *Kendal:* Commoners, Mr. *William Sheldon*, Mr. *John Hooper*, Mr. *William Newland*, Mr. *William Cleaver*, Deputy *Child*, Mr. *Valentine Grimſtead*, Mr. *Thomas Winterbottom*, Mr. *John Thomas*, Mr. *Charles Blandy*, Mr. *John Stuart*, Mr. *George Pepys*, and Mr. *James Razar*. After which the Thanks of the Court were return'd the Lord Mayor, for the laudable Care with which his Lordſhip has diſcharg'd the Truſt of his high Office.

On Tueſday laſt ſome of the Truſtees for eſtabliſhing the Colony of *Georgia* in *America*, together with Sir *Thomas Lombe*, and Mr. *Booth* the Silk Weaver, waited on her Majeſty with a Piece of Silk, the Produce of *Georgia*, and manufactur'd in *England*; and we hear her Majeſty receiv'd the ſame very graciouſly, and was pleas'd to expreſs a great Satisfaction at the Beauty and Fineneſs of the Silk, the Richneſs of the Pattern, and at ſeeing ſo early a Product of the Colony.

Marriage. A few Days ſince *John Lee*, of *Eſſex-ſtreet*, Eſq; was marry'd to Miſs *Nichols*, Daughter of the late Mr. *Nichols*, a Banker in *Fleet-ſtreet*, a 7000 *l.* Fortune.

Death. On Monday laſt died the Lady Dowager *Southwell*, Mother to the Right Hon. the Lord *Southwell*.

FRIDAY, *October* 24.

A Courier is arriv'd at *Kenſington*, with Advice that his Majeſty had deferr'd ſetting out from *Hanover* till Wedneſday laſt, but then certainly ſet out at Five in the Morning.

The Ways are ſo extreamly bad, that my Lord *Harrington* was ſeven Days in his Journey from *Hanover* to the *Hague*; his Majeſty however continues to do it in three, as uſual; and as there will be a Poſſibility, if the Wind continues fair, of the King's landing Tomorrow, the Queen has put off her Hunting in Expectation of his Arrival.

His Highneſs the Prince of *Modena* play'd at Quadrille on Wedneſday Evening at Court, with their Royal Highneſſes the Princeſſes *Amelia* and *Caroline*, and her Grace the Dutcheſs of *Richmond*, who was the Lady of the Bed-Chamber in waiting, and afterwards ſupp'd with her Grace.

His Highneſs was Yeſterday entertain'd in a moſt magnificent Manner by his Grace the Duke of *Richmond*, at his Houſe in *Arlington-ſtreet*; the Right Hon. Sir *Robert Walpole*, their Graces the Dukes of *Newcaſtle*, *Grafton*, and *Devonſhire*, the Earls of *Scarborough* and *Albemarle*, and ſeveral other Perſons of Quality being alſo there.

His Highneſs the Prince of *Modena* has had an Invitation, from the Lord Mayor Elect, to dine with his Lordſhip at *Guildhall* on Wedneſday next.

Yeſterday Morning the Hon. Commiſſioners of the Victualling-Office took up three Ships to carry 1200 Tons of Proviſions to *Lisbon*, for victualling Sir *John Norris's* Fleet.

We hear that ſeveral Houſes will ſoon be built on the waſte Piece of Ground between the End of *Great Marlborough-ſtreet* and the Back of *King-ſtreet*; and a fine Street made from *Great Marlborough-ſtreet*, thro' *King-ſtreet* and *Swallow-ſtreet*, to the End of *Maddox-ſtreet*, facing St. *George's* Church, *Hanover-Square*.

Advices from *Norfolk* ſay, that their *October* Fairs had afforded them a Supply of lean Cattle; and in particular, that at St. *Faith's* Fair, was plenty of *Scotch* Runts, which they much wanted, and the more readily bought up, becauſe the late wet Summer, occaſion'd vaſt After-Crops of good Graſs, beſides Plenty of Turnips, with which they have uſually fatted there, to ſupply their own and the *London* Markets. St. *Faith's* is within two Miles of *Norwich*, and more ſmall *Scotch* Cattle come there annually, than to any other Fair in *England*; even many *Welch* come there alſo.

On Wedneſday Night laſt between Nine and Ten o'Clock, two Gentlemen and Ladies in a Hackney-Coach were attack'd near the School in St. *Paul's Church-Yard*, by two Street-Robbers, who took from them the Value of ten Pounds.

Laſt Wedneſday in the Afternoon ſeveral Perſons were robb'd on *Putney-Common*, on their Return from *Kingſton* Races; there were two Foot-pads and two Highwaymen, the Buſineſs of the latter being, beſide the Look-out, to ſecure any that eſcap'd from the former.

Preferment. Laſt Week the Rev. Mr. *Ferrebee* was unanimouſly choſen joint Lecturer of St. *Martin's in the Fields*.——The Rev. Mr. *Julius Bate* is preſented by the Duke of *Somerſet* to the Rectory of *Sutton* in *Suſſex*, worth 200*l. per Annum*.

Marriage. Yeſterday in the Evening the Earl of *Ankram*, Son to the Marquis of *Lothian*, was married to the Lady *Caroline d'Arcy*, Siſter to the Earl of *Holderneſs*, a very fine young Lady, with 20,000 *l.* Fortune.

FOREIGN NEWS.

THEY write from *Rome*, that the Pope, who never parts from his Favours without a valuable Conſideration, has procur'd Prince *Corſini*, his Nephew, to be made Grandee of *Spain* of the firſt Claſs, Knight of the Golden Fleece, Maſter of the Horſe to *Don Carlos*, and Viceroy of *Sicily*, in Exchange for the Diſpenſation of Age granted *Don Lewis*, the young Archbiſhop of *Toledo*.

A Skirmiſh happen'd the 21ſt Inſt. wholly in favour of the *Imperialiſts*, who being poſſeſs'd of an Abbey near their new Camp on this Side the *Moſelle*, Marſhal *Coigny* detach'd his Son and Lieutenant-General *Nangis*, at the Head of 4000 Grenadiers, to take it from them: The *Imperial* Garriſon conſiſted of 400 Men, and having defended themſelves a long Time with great Bravery, abandon'd the Place, and retir'd to their Army; the *French* raſhly purſuing to their very Lines, were ſeveral of them taken Priſoners. A few Hours after Count *Seckendorf* put his Army in Motion to attack the Abbey, and 'twas believ'd a general Engagement would have enſu'd; but Marſhal *Coigny* held a Council of War thereupon, and the *French* Generals unanimouſly reſolv'd to abandon the Cloyſter, which was accordingly done, but not quick enough to prevent the Loſs of near 500 Men, amongſt whom were ſeveral Officers of Diſtinction. The *Imperialiſts* remain in Poſſeſſion of the Abbey.

'Tis confirm'd that the *French* have had one of the moſt difficult and fatiguing Marches ever undertaken. Proviſions were ſo ſcarce upon the Route, that an Ammunition Loaf, worth at another Time Three-pence, was ſold for Thirty-pence, and two Pound of white Bread for three Livres.

'Tis aſſur'd, that the *Spaniſh* General continues to refuſe acknowledging the King of *Sardinia* as Duke of *Milan*, and that his *Sardinian* Majeſty is greatly diſguſted thereat. That Prince has lately ſent a Perſon of Diſtinction to *Lorrain*, and 'tis pretended that his Errand is to demand in Marriage one of the Princeſſes, Siſters to his Royal Highneſs the Duke.

Letters from *Genoa* of the 7th ſay, that the *Corſicans* have lately play'd them a ſlippery Trick; the Republick concluded a Suſpenſion of Arms with the Malecontents to the 12th of *November*, but the latter immediately broke it, and committed ſeveral Ravages.

We hear from *Verona*, that the Affair of *Montagnana*, in Regard to the Duke *de Montemar*, has been ended to that General's Satisfaction, tho' not very much to the Honour of the States of *Venice*, except we conſider that their Hand is now in the Lion's Mouth. The Senate has diſapprov'd the Officer's Conduct, who refus'd to open at Midnight, to a foreign General, the Gate that was committed to his keeping: That Officer, for diſcharging his Duty like a Soldier, has been degraded, and declar'd unworthy of ever ſerving the Republick again. Cruel and unjuſt Sentence! But the Allies are now Maſters of *Venice*. The Duke ſeem'd extreamly well pleas'd with that Satisfaction, which he would undoubtedly have had without cutting down the Trees and Vines a League round *Montagnana*, to the irreparable Damage of a great Number of Farmers.

Letters from *Bozolo* of the 21ſt ſay, the Generals of the Allies have, for ſome Days paſt, not only permitted Wood for Firing, of which the Garriſon was in great Want, but likewiſe Proviſions of all Sorts to be carry'd into *Mantua*, which has caus'd ſeveral Reflections.

We are inform'd, that the Commandant of the *Imperial* Troops arriv'd at *Baſſano* ſays, that before two Months, the Emperor will have an Army of 40,000 Men in *Italy*; we are alſo aſſur'd, that a Reinforcement of *Imperial* Troops is marching for *Lombardy*, by the Way of *Carinthia*. The *Germans* have agreed with the *Venetians* to be furniſh'd by them at the following Rates for ready Money, *viz.* 12 Pence of *Italy* for a Buſhel of Meal, nine for a Buſhel of Oats, 35 Pence for a Waggon Load of Hay, and ten for a Waggon Load of Straw. The Price of Victuals and Wine has been regulated in Proportion.

Marſhal *Coigny*, who was advanc'd with his Army to the Banks of the *Eſch*, in order to frighten Count *Seckendorf* (for he certainly refus'd to fight him, tho' fairly provok'd to it) is retir'd back to *Treves*, and his Army has already begun to ſeparate. On the 23d Inſtant, N. S. that General detach'd 29 Squadrons to the *Meuſe*, under the Order of Lieutenant-General *Billarderie*, and other Bodies of Troops were order'd to *Mentz*, *Thionville*, *Saarre-Louis*, and other Places, ſo that the *Imperialiſts* are left to take what Rout they pleaſe.

The Marſhal had taken the Precaution, before he march'd towards the *Imperialiſts*, to ſend away all his heavy Baggage to *Saarre-Louis*, a fortify'd Place of conſiderable Strength. On the 20th he left *Treves*, and advanc'd the ſame Day to *Heyſrodt*, about 12 Leagues from that Place, and one from the Abbey of *Clauſen*, near which Count *Seckendorf* was encamp'd: Here the *French* halted, and diſcovering the next Day a Party of the Enemy encamp'd at a little Diſtance, the Marſhal ſent the Sieur *Klainols*, with ſome Huſſars and 36 Companies of Grenadiers, to attack them. The *Imperialiſts* retir'd as the *French* advanc'd, and abandon'd both the Village of *Ruincik*, where they were encamp'd, and the Abbey of *Clauſen* (as we mention'd before) but this was only a Stratagem to draw the *French* into the Ground where Count *Seckendorf* waited to attack them to moſt Advantage. To this Purpoſe he had advanc'd his Army in three Columns, and plac'd his Artillery in ſuch Manner, that the *French* Troops were oblig'd to ſuſtain a conſiderable Loſs before they could tell which Way to retire; the Volleys of Muſquetry which follow'd were not leſs fatal, and the Marquis *de Charoſt*, Son to the Duke *de Bethune*, and ſome other Perſons of Diſtinction, were kill'd, and ſeveral others wounded; the Evening cloſing in, prevented further Miſchief. In the Morning Marſhal *Coigny* retir'd to *Erring*, and afterwards to *Treves*.

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